

House Resolution 423

By: Representatives Barnes of the 78th, Dodson of the 75th, Buckner of the 76th, Jordan of the 77th, Abdul-Salaam of the 74th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Arts Clayton; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Arts Clayton has achieved a significant milestone by moving into an artfully
3 restored historic structure to anchor downtown revitalization in Jonesboro as the county seat
4 of Clayton County; and

5 WHEREAS, Arts Clayton is committed to showcasing the best of our state by providing
6 venues to exhibit the talents of our people, utilizing the arts as an economic generator for our
7 businesses, and supporting arts education in our schools and universities; and

8 WHEREAS, Arts Clayton has successfully implemented services which affect every aspect
9 of community development, including the economy, social problem solving, job creation,
10 education, individual creativity, and community livability; and

11 WHEREAS, Arts Clayton invests in lifelong learning opportunities, beginning with ArtVan
12 as a "read to succeed" mobile learning lab for students and summer art camps and as a safe
13 summer initiative for children, which leads up to art classes and workshops for students,
14 teens, adults, and seniors; and

15 WHEREAS, Arts Clayton plays a key role in sustaining the economic vibrancy of our state
16 by supporting local businesses, providing quality art events to increase cultural tourism, and
17 thereby utilizing travelers along I-75 to create a major tourism corridor for the state; and

18 WHEREAS, Arts Clayton serves as a model of inclusiveness by promoting the positive
19 aspects of Clayton County's diverse citizenry, and by making available art programs and
20 activities for all ages and all families in Clayton County, initiatives helping to establish
21 Clayton County as the Cultural Crossroads of the south metro area; and

1 WHEREAS, Arts Clayton is a recognized leader in the arts with representatives serving on
2 the board and panels of Georgia Council for the Arts, regranting state funds through the
3 Grassroots Art Program, and operating a Fine Arts Gallery which is open to all Georgia
4 artists.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
6 the members of this body recognize the important contributions of Arts Clayton – their board,
7 staff, and volunteers – to visitors and citizens of Clayton County and the State of Georgia.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
9 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Arts Clayton.